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# S. 1392

To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct an assessment of the responsibilities, workload, and vacancy rates of suicide prevention coordinators of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 9, 2019

Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Mr. TESTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Support for Suicide  
5 Prevention Coordinators Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPTROLLER GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF RESPON-**  
2 **SIBILITIES, WORKLOAD, AND VACANCY**  
3 **RATES OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**  
4 **FAIRS SUICIDE PREVENTION COORDINA-**  
5 **TORS.**

6 (a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of  
8 the United States shall conduct an assessment of the  
9 responsibilities, workload, training, and vacancy  
10 rates of suicide prevention coordinators of the De-  
11 partment of Veterans Affairs.

12 (2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment under para-  
13 graph (1) shall include a determination of—

14 (A) the extent to which the use and staff-  
15 ing of suicide prevention coordinators varies be-  
16 tween facilities of the Department; and

17 (B) the extent to which the Secretary of  
18 Veterans Affairs provides oversight of suicide  
19 prevention coordinators.

20 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one year  
21 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comp-  
22 troller General shall submit to the Committee on Veterans'  
23 Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Af-  
24 fairs of the House of Representatives a report containing  
25 the findings of the assessment required by subsection (a).